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OPEN LETTER TO THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

America Needs Your Vote For DR-CAFTA Now!

On behalf of the over 400 members of NPES The Association for Suppliers of Printing, Publishing and Converting Technologies, we urge the United States House of Representatives to enact H.R. 3045 the Dominican Republic - Central American Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA).

DR-CAFTA would create a free-trade zone between the United States and six countries - Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua. NPES strongly supports passage of DR-CAFTA, because it would:

- * Eliminate most of the quotas and tariffs on imported goods and services from these countries.
- * Enable U.S. manufacturers to gain \$1 billion of additional manufactured goods exports.
- * Create thousands of jobs for U.S. workers.
- * **Provide** greater access to the third largest Latin American market for U.S. exports of printing, publishing and converting technologies.
- * **Spur** economic growth and political stability in our own hemisphere.
- * **Increase** the impetus for further trade initiatives, which are vital to overall U.S. economic strategy and security.

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